

## South Pacific Motorcycle Tours' Environmental Policy



**Our Vision** - To invest in the future wellbeing and sustainability of New Zealand as a whole, now and for years to come, through responsible tourism.

Our environmental policy is strong and passionate - we're so proud to show you our beautiful unspoilt islands, and we believe everyone has a responsibility to help keep our precious corner of the world pure and clean.

### **Qualmark Quality Assured**



Since 2003 South Pacific Motorcycle Tours has led the way in Responsible Tourism in our particular industry through high standards in both quality of service and products, resulting in better overall safety and a better experience for our Guests. We were the first in our field (motorcycle rental) to be recognized as one of New Zealand's leading tourism businesses by being licensed to carry the Qualmark™ endorsement - New Zealand tourism's official mark of quality. For more information about this endorsement please visit [www.qualmark.co.nz](http://www.qualmark.co.nz)

Our motorcycles, and the planes that bring you here, emit fuel gases that aren't good for the environment, so we're doing our bit to offset this 'carbon footprint'. We recycle just about everything that's recyclable and even our old tyres and oil goes into making our roads. We're saving our trees with a paperless office, our premises are air-conditioned with energy saving heat pumps and lighting, our water is heated by the sun, and we use eco-friendly cleaning products.

But Responsible Tourism is much more than just recycling – for us it's a way of life for us. We lead the motorcycle rental/touring industry in our efforts to offset carbon pollution, and develop our business at every level to ensure waste is minimised and our environment protected.

Here's more examples of how we're paying it back:-

- We buy locally and we buy organic products wherever possible;
- We give free motorcycle rides to our local schools, residential care homes, etc
- We, and our guests, support our local Dairy/Gas Station
- We use local services to support our business;
- Our guests use local B&B and shuttle services;
- We ride, and encourage our guests to ride with the environment in mind;
- We tell everyone how to protect our environment for the enjoyment of future generations;
- We preach the Department of Conservation's Environmental Care Code:
  - Protecting our Native Plants and Animals
  - Removing all Rubbish and recycling responsibly
  - Keeping Streams and Lakes Clean
  - Taking Care With Fires|
  - Camping Carefully
  - Keeping to the Track when hiking
  - Consideration for Others
  - Respecting Our Cultural Heritage